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Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312

Dear Sir:

In connection with the payment of the issue fee for the instant application, it was discovered that a reference in the instant application to the prior filed provisional application was missing. An amendment to the specification is presented at the end of this paper to add the reference to the prior provisional application.

The original declaration by the inventors (§1.63) included a specific reference and priority claim to the prior-filed provisional application.

No petition is believed required because the version of 37 C.F.R. §1.78 in effect at the time of filing this application required only an amendment to the

specification to reference the provisional application, and no petition or fee was required. *E.g.*, present version of MPEP 1481 regarding the filing of a Certificate of Correction to correct the same defect for applications filed prior to November 29, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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